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REPORT

OF

JOINT COMMITTEE FOR INVESTIGATION.

Report of Joint Committee for Investigation,

AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 115 OF THE GENERAL ACTS OF 1856, AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS AMENDATORY THERETO.

The committee have made as full and thorough an investigation of the matters committed to them, as it was possible for them to do, in the circumstances in which they have been placed.

The printing of the reports of the several state officers has been unusually delayed; the reports of the Secretary of State and of the Commissioners of School and University Lands, and a portion of the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, were placed in the hands of the committee but a few days since, while the reports of the Treasurer and Bank Comptroller are still in the hands of the printer.

The committee commenced their investigation in the office of the

STATE TREASURER.

It was their aim to carry out fully the spirit as well as the letter of the law under which they acted, and accordingly they pursued their investigations into the most minute details of the business of the office, and it is with great satisfaction that they are enabled to say, that the funds of the State have been carefully guarded by the prompt and faithful officer who now has the charge of the treasury of the State.

The books of the office are kept with a due regard to system and neatness, and the contrast between the management of this

department under the present Treasurer and of that of his predecessor is marked and gratifying.

The quarterly examinations of the books and accounts of the Treasurer, required by the statute to be made by the Secretary of State, your committee are satisfied, have been promptly and faithfully made.

While in the Treasurer's office, the committee examined the bank securities deposited there by the Bank Comptroller, in accordance with the requirements of the banking law, and found them all correct.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Everything in this department furnished evidence of the efficiency and faithfulness of the officer who is at its head. The books of the office are kept in a neat and systematic manner, and the more thorough the examinations made, served but to furnish the more abundant evidences of the correctness with which they have been kept.

SCHOOL AND SWAMP LAND DEPARTMENT.

The business connected with this department has become very extensive and complicated, and while the committee are compelled to call attention to a few matters which do not appear to be strictly correct, they deem it due those who have the charge of the important interests concentrated here, to say that every thing connected with the department gives evidence of industry and faithfulness on the part of those therein employed.

In comparing the sales books in the school land office, of sales made in 1856, with the amounts of principal and interest received, as shown by the books of the Secretary of State, occasional discrepancies were discovered. In some cases, the amounts in the latter were larger than appeared by the sales book, but it was found to arise from payments of 1857, made in advance. The

other entries were correct, with the following exceptions, which are omitted on the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, but from the receipts on file in the school land office, should be charged the Treasurer on University Fund and University Fund Income:

	PRINCP.	INT.
Dunn county, sale to Marcellus Stevens, T. 25, R. 14, Sec. 34,	$ 43 65	3 69
Pierce county, sale to J. D. Otis, T. 27, R. 19, S. 8,	66 20	4 84
	$109 85	8 53

There is a difficulty in ascertaining, in this office, without considerable labor, what purchases are complete and the necessary payments actually made. When purchasers select their lands, an entry is made on the books, of the name against the particular tract selected, with the amount of principal and interest to be paid, and a stub given, showing the amount necessary to be paid into the treasury. On its return with the Treasurer's receipt, he is entitled to receive a certificate of sale.

It is, doubtless, the intention, that the matter should be closed at once; but the purchaser, in many instances, retains the stub, until it suits his convenience to pay, and the tract stands on the face of the sales book as being sold and paid for. There should be some method devised to ascertain at once, on the face of the record, whether the sale has been perfected or not. In all cases except the two before named, of sales not entered on the Secretary's books, the certificates were found in the office undelivered.

In the swamp land department the amount for principal and interest paid on sales corresponded with those entered on the Secretary's books, with the exception of those named in the list herewith annexed marked "A."

A part of them were found, on examination, to have been paid since the first of January, 1857; the balance are probably still unpaid. The suggestion made above relative to sales in the school

land department, would apply with equal force to the swamp land department.

In the following list the entries on the sales books differ from those on the Secretary's journal:

Dodge co.,	Fred. Reuben,	Dec. 9,	$82 75,	Jn'l, fo. 5,	$ 50 00,	short	$32 75
Col'a co.,	H. R. Tallmadge,	"	50, 00,	" "	100 00,	over	50 06

In the loan department it was found that all the loans entered in the report of the Commissioners of School and University Lands had been regularly paid by the Treasurer, and charged in his account.

Upon an examination of such as were found in the office, they were all found correct, with the exception of those named in the annexed list marked "B."

In some cases the notes were not regularly dated, but finding a time fixed for the final payment of the note, and for the commencement of the interest named in the body of the note, it was thought best to pass them as correct, although it is suggested, that in future it be made a point to have all notes destinctly and properly dated.

The mortgages named in list marked "C.," herewith annexed, were not examined, not being in the office. They are stated to be sent away for record and not yet returned. By recurring to the dates it will be seen, that many have been made a long time, some over a year; a period more than sufficient to have allowed them to be recorded and returned.

The following are marked on the mortgage book, as having paid their interest in 1856; but the amounts do not appear on the Secretary's journal; they may be yet unpaid:

Dane county,	Jonathan Larkin	$14 00
Dodge county,	Catherine Hart	14 00
Grant county,	James McCormick	7 00
Marquette county,	C. Van Valkenburg	7 00
Racine City,	A. G. Knight	35 00
Waupacca county,	J. M. Vaughan	35 00
Winnebago county,	H. R. Kennedy	35 00

The following entries on the journal do not appear on the mortgage book:

Folio 348	Jan'y	25	Robert Ray	La Fayette county	$6 30
" 524	March	19	A. B. Welton	Sauk county	9 90
" 546	May	5	H. Quarles	Dane county	57 75
" 577	Dec.	22	John Paul, jr	Winnebago county	35 00

The loan department does not appear to receive the attention which its importance demands, and it is respectfully suggested that a through examination be made, under the direction of the Commissioners, of all mortgages belonging to the School and University funds; that the securities be re-examined, the imperfections corrected, and proper measures adopted to have them promptly recorded and returned to the office. A perfected list of the mortgages, with the name, amount, date, discription of security, when recorded, the time to which interest is paid, arranged by counties, and reported to the Governor in time for the next Legislature would be a great convenience for future investigations, and would obviate the necessity of going beyond the transactions of the previous year.

The annexed list marked "D," is a list of sales of forfeited lands as shown by the sales book, which do not appear to have been paid into the treasury. The certificates are probably yet in the office.

BANK COMPTROLLER.

The investigations in this department were as thorough as the circumstances of the case would admit of. The books in this department showed an exact correspondence, in every particular, with the report of the Comptroller, of January 31st, 1857, the securites being deposited and the circulating notes issued and duly recorded as stated, to each bank.

The securities to be deposited as required in section 17, of the general banking law, were found all right and largely exceeding the amounts required by law.

It appears from the report of the Bank Comptroller, that on the first Monday of January, 1857, he had in his hands twenty-nine thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars; that on the thirty-first day of that month the amount had increased to ninety-eight thousand five hundred and seventy-six dollars. This money has come into the hands of the Bank Comptroller, in accordance with the provisions of sections 25, 37 and 38 of the general banking law. Section 37 provides that "Any banking association wishing to withdraw any of the securities by them deposited by the Comptroller, may do so by depositing in lieu thereof, an equal amount of specie, or of the circulating notes which have been issued to said association by the Bank Comptroller, in sums of not less than one thousand dollars."

SEC. 25. Provides that "in case the curreut market value of any portion of the securities transferred by any banking association to the State treasurer, in trust, as provided in this act, shall at any time, for the period of ninety days, be less than the value at which they were deposited, the Comptroller shall notify such bank of the depreciation in value of such securities, and such banks, within thirty days after receiving such notice, or an equal amount of the circulating notes to be transferred to the Treasurer of State, in trust, to the amount equal to the difference between the current market value at which they were deposited."

The specie in the hands of the Bank Comptroller was deposited by the following named banks:

Bank of the Capital	Madison	$2,000
Bank of Milwaukee	Milwaukee	20,000
Bank of Watertown	Watertown	5,000
Columbia County Bank	Portage City	3,000
Commercial Bank	Racine	1,000
Dane County Bank	Madison	4,000
Dodge County Bank	Beaver Dam	4,500
Fox River Bank	Green Bay	500
Janesville City Bank	Janesville	480
Jefferson County Bank	Watertown	19,000

Kenosha County Bank	Kenosha	3,316
Marine Bank	Milwaukee	9,000
Merchants Bank	Madison	6,280
Rock County Bank	Janesville	11,500
State Bank of Wisconsin	Milwaukee	4,000
Waukesha County Bank	Waukesha	4,000
Waupun Bank	Waupun	1,000
		$98,576

Of this amount, the committee found in the actual possession of the Bank Comptroller, in specie and in the circulating notes of the banks, but thirty-one thousand and seventy-six dollars. The balance, sixty-seven thousand five hundred and seventy-six dollars, is in the possession of the following banks, as shown by certificates of deposit and a check in the hands of the Comptroller:

State Bank of Wisconsin	Milwaukee	$33,000
Farmers & Millers Bank	Milwaukee	15,000
State Bank	Madison	19,500
		$67,500

Four thousand dollars of the amount named above, as being on deposit in the State Bank of Wisconsin, at Milwaukee, is the four thousand dollars which the report of the Comptroller names as having been deposited with him by said State Bank of Wisconsin.

Five thousand dollars of the amount named above as being in the possession of the State Bank, at Madison, is the amount of a check for that sum drawn by the State Treasurer on said State Bank at Madison, in the hands of the Bank Comptroller.

In relation to this specie, under the control of the Bank Comptroller, the committee would remark: First, That they can find no authority in the law for depositing the same, or any portion of it, in any of the banks of the State.

The committee do not propose, at this time, to discuss the wisdom or policy of the law; they speak of it as they find it; and while they state the fact that they can find no legal authority for placing this specie on deposit in the banks named, they are not

prepared to say that this action on the part of the Comptroller has not resulted in great good, not only to the banks of the State, but to the people at large; the deposits, or certificates, of the three banks above named were made in lieu of California bonds, which have greatly depreciated in value, and merely to accommodate the other banks holding the bonds, to allow them time to substitute other satisfactory securities,—the law, in fact, allowing them about four months for that purpose.

Second: The committee are of the opinion that a correct interpretation of the letter and spirit of the banking law of the State would require the whole of this specie to be deposited with the State Treasurer. The Bank Comptroller is of a different opinion, based mainly upon the following section of the banking law:

"SEC. 38. The securities to be deposited with the Treasurer in trust by any association, shall be kept by him exclusively for the redemption of the bills or notes of such association, put in circulation as money, until the same are paid and returned to the Comptroller, as provided in this act; but the Treasurer may assign said securities to said association transferring the same, upon receiving therefor equivalent securities, or upon being notified by the Comptroller that such bank has deposited with him an equivalent amount in specie, or circulating notes issued by such bank, as provided in section thirty-seven of this act."

While the committee are constrained to differ from him, they accord to him the utmost honesty and sincerity in the construction of the law which has guided his action. The general scope and spirit of the banking law seems to recognize the Comptroller as the responsible officer, with whom all business connected with the department is to be done. He is the individual who stands between the banks and the people of the State, to see that the provisions of the law are carried into effect, and the rights of all parties carefully guarded. But while he is the officer who does the business, it seems to be equally certain that the law contemplates that all securities for the redemption of the circulation of the several banks of

he State, with the exception of the bonds provided for in the 17th section of the law, shall be in the custody of the State Treasurer.

Keeping these two facts in view, the committee are of opinion hat there need be no doubt as to the proper construction to be placed upon what might otherwise be ambiguous, in some sections of the aw.

Sections 5, 6 and 13, of the banking law, provide for the transfer o the State Treasurer, in trust, of the various securities deposited y the several banks for the redemption of the circulating notes nd for their deposit, for safe keeping, with the Treasurer.

While the law seems constantly to recognize the fact that the se-urities are to be deposited originally with the Comptroller, it no-where authorizes their remaining in his custody.

Section 25 of the banking law already quoted in this report, pro-ides expressly that when additional securities are called for by he Comptroller, that the "banks within thirty days after receiving uch notice shall cause securities of the kinds before specified, or an qual amount of their circulating notes to be transferred to the reasurer of State, in trust, to an amount equal to the difference etween the current market value at the time of notice and the alue at which the same were deposited." Here provision is di-ctly made for the transfer of the additional securities to the State reasurer. Section 37 speaks of securities *deposited with the omptroller*, while, in fact, the securities spoken of are really in e custody of the Treasurer. If these securities are to be exchang-, would not the general scope and spirit of the law require that e new securities received should be in the custody of the same icer who held the securities for which they were substituted? he committee are clearly of opinion that this is the only construc-n to be placed upon the law.

Should the Legislature decide otherwise, or should they deem best to sanction the course which has been pursued by the mptroller, the committee would suggest the propriety of increas-g the amount of his bonds, as the amount is now much less than e amount of funds under his control.

The committee having felt it to be their duty to make the pr ceding remarks, touching the management of the business of th Bank Comptroller's office, deem it nothing more than simple ju tice to Mr. Dennis, to say, that his general course in the dischar of the responsible duties of his station, so far as the same has be developed by their investigations (with the exceptions before state and for which the committee are by no means disposed to censu him), meets with their unqualified approbation. While the righ of the banks have been protected, the interests of the people large have been most watchfully and carefully guarded. Wh in neighbouring states there have been bank panics, and the c dit of their banks has been seriously injured, and the people su jected to great loss and inconvenience, our State has escaped eve thing of the kind; the credit of our banks has been fully susta ed, the people protected from loss and inconvenience, so far as t currency of the banks of this State was concerned, and the saf of our banking law demonstrated. For these satisfactory resu the committee are of opinion that a large measure of the credi justly due to the skillful, wise and prudent management of most able and efficient Bank Comptroller.

A bill providing for various amendments to the present bank law of the State is herewith submitted.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

The investigations made into the management of the affairs der the control of this officer, have thus far reached anything satisfactory results. The limited time in which the committee h been compelled to act, multiplicity of their other legislative du and the fact that several witnesses, whose testimony the com tee have felt it important to secure, have placed themselves bey the immediate reach of the committee, have rendered it impos for them to complete the investigations within the limits of the sent session of the legislature.

The facts which have already come to the knowledge of

ommittee, and the testimony which they have taken, are not in a hape to admit of their publication at the present time without the ability of their doing serious injury to some of the parties con- erned, and possibly to the educational interests of the State.

Serious charges have been directly and indirectly made, involv- ng the official integrity of the Superintendent of Public Instruc- ion. Opportunity should be offered, that the charges may be ubstantiated, or the integrity of the Superintendent vindicated. Believing that the present position of matters is an exceedingly un- ortunate one for all parties concerned, the committee beg leave erewith, to present a bill providing for the completion of the in- estigation after the final adjournment of the present session of the egislature.

The committee have had under consideration the petition of J. L. Jenckes, administrator on the estate of the late James G. Percival, eferred to them by the Senate, praying for an investigation with a iew of ascertaining the amount due the estate of said Percival for is services as State Geologist.

A statement of Mr. Percival's account, as it stands on the books f the Secretary of State, will be found in the paper hereto annex- d marked "F." Paper hereto annexed marked "E.," is a state- nent of the same account more in detail as made up from the ouchers on file in the office of the State Treasurer. The commit- ee wishing to gain further information in relation to this matter, alled upon Ex-Governor Barstow, and received from him the an- exed statement marked "G." This statement of Mr. Barstow's, hows a balance of eleven hundred and sixty dollars due to Mr. ercival on the 31st day of March, 1856. Mr. Percival was en- tled to one quarters salary after that date, which added to the mount above stated, would make the total amount due, sixteen undred and thirty-five dollars; the committee accordingly report bill authorizing J. L. Jenckes, administrator on the estate of the ate James G. Percival, to draw said amount on account of the ap- ropriation for Geological Survey.

Among several items of doubtful or unexplained character, the committee found on investigating the Treasurer's office, one for thirteen hundred and twenty dollars drawn by Wm. A. Barstow, on account of swamp lands. No vouchers of any kind were found in any department that would throw light upon it, nor was any return made, showing to what use this sum had been applied. On the 25th of the present month the committee had an enterview with Mr. Barstow in order to have the expenditure explained. A voucher of which the following is a copy, (the original herewith annexed marked "H.") has been placed in their possession:

"*State of Wisconsin,*

To WILLIAM A. BARSTOW Dr.

For expenses going to Washington City four times during official term, on business for the State, twice in 1854 and twice in 1855, to attend to swamp and other grants of land to the State.....	$1,000
For amount expended in the employment of counsel, and paid expences of Attorney General, G. B. Smith, in going to Washington in spring of 1855.....	$320
	$1,320

Received payment by charging to account of swamp land appropriation.

Signed, W. A. BARSTOW."

March, 1856.

This amount was drawn from the Treasury a short time before Mr. Barstow left the Executive office.

The committee seriously doubt whether the legislature in making the appropriation contemplated such a use being made of the money. The governor's traveling expences, would more properly have been a charge against his contingent fund.

In response to portions of the report of the Secretary of State, suggesting legislation relative to several matters of public interest, the committee would herewith report bills, and recommend their passage.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. DAVIS,
On the part of the Senate.

H. A. TENNEY,

SAMUEL D. HASTINGS,
Of the Assembly,

Joint Committee for Investigation.

APPENDIX.

"A."

Sales of Swamp Lands, on Sales Book, not on Journal.

Crawford.....	Dec. 23.	John S. Markham..	54 75	.....
Columbia....	Nov. 29.	John Brannon.....	100 00	.....
Fond du Lac.	Dec. 13.	John Bell.....	100 00	.....
Sauk.....	Dec. 16.	John Weishan.....	100 00	.....
Kewaunee....	Dec. 16.	Matthias Koenig...	200 00	.....
La Crosse....	Dec. 5.	Abner Polleys ...	56 25	.....
Portage.....	Dec. 24.	John L. Spuir.....	100 00	.....
	Dec. 24.	Hugh McGreen....	50 00	.....
Waupaca.....	Dec. 26.	Henry C. Mumbrese	198 75	money deposited
Manitowoc...	Dec. 20.	Gottfried Wengell..	200 00	.....
Fond du Lac.	Dec. 13.	H. Gooduckson....	50 00	Paid in 1857...
	Dec. 13.	Arch Durkee	76 07	.....do.....
Sauk.....	Dec. 13.	Diedrich Dahling..	50 00	.....do.....
	Dec. 17.	Philip Lorg.....	100 00	.....do.....
La Crosse....	Dec. 10.	John Roche.....	171 78	.....do.....
Outagamie...	Dec. 26.	John Spoight	50 00	.....do.....
	Dec. 26.	Dennis Buckley...	50 00	.....do.....
	Dec. 26.	John Vandenburgh	150 00	.....do.....

"B."

Mortgages Imperfect, &c.

SCHOOL FUND.

A. W. Floyd.....	Iowa.....	300 00	Mortgage imp'fect, no date to note
M. G. Pratt.....	Portage ...	300 00	Mortgage imperfect.
P. Mehan.....	Richland...	440 00	No witness to mortg. but Justice.
Seth Ramsey.....	Sauk.....	400 00	No date to note.
H. D. L. Webster.	Walworth..	300 00	No date to mortgage.
John Campbell...	Washington	500 00	No date to note.

UNIVERSITY FUND.

T. O. Edwards....	Dane.....	300 00	Blanks in mortgage not filled.

"C."

Mortgages 1856; *not examined.*

Adams	Feb'y 13	H. B. Converse	$500
	Feb'y 13	E. B. Cotton	375
	Feb'y 16	Horace Croswell	300
	March 6	Walter Ineax	200
	March 13	W. D. Niles	300
	March 13	Stillman Niles	300
	March 14	Nancy B. Kingsbury	200
	March 18	W. B. Gage	300
	Oct'r 4	Elizabeth Whiting	500
Bad Ax	Dec'm 5	A. Stiles	200
Brown	March 25	Ed. Timlin	200
Calumet	Feb'y 15	E. Gueck	200
	Feb'y 29	Richard Mangan	250
	July 28	F. P. Oesan	200
Clark	April 3	W. J. Gibson	500
Crawford	March 5	Ira P. Brunson	400
Columbia	Jan'y 11	L. S. Dickson	500
	Jan'y 11	Ebenezer Ayers	500
	Jan'y 18	John Hagan	350
	Jan'y 18	Andrew Sweeney	350
	Jan'y 31	P. O'Mera	250
	Jan'y 31	Richard Devine	250
	Feb'y 2	O. D. Colman	500
	Feb'y 5	Andrew Dunn	500
	Feb'y 5	G. D. Mead	300
	Feb'y 12	Thomas Laffan	500
	Feb'y 21	M. T. Draper	300
	March 13	M. M. Davis	300
	March 24	Thomas Phillips	300
	June 21	L. R. Lord	300
	Aug 22	E. G. Chase	300
	Sept 2	Alex. McDonnel	300
	Dec'm 5	J. McKennon & Colin McKennon	400
Dane	Jan'y 9	A. B. Smith	500
	Jan'y 9	W. A. Barstow	500
	Jan'y 9	Mahlon Hasbrook	500
	Jan'y 11	Geo. Andrewson	400
	Jan'y 15	T. & J. Murphy	400

"C."—continued.

Mortgages 1856, *not examined.*

Dane, con	Jan'y 15	A. J. Damp	$500
	Jan'y 16	F. T. Zettler	500
	Jan'y 21	Joseph Keyes	350
	Jan'y 24	J. S Ames	300
	Jan'y 29	J. Traverse	300
	Jan'y 29	Thos. Davis	200
	Feb'y 5	John Collins	100
	Feb'y 20	Jonathan Davis	300
	Feb'y 20	Patrick Doyle	500
	Feb'y 29	Elijah Isham	500
	March 5	D. K. Tenney	250
	March 11	D. R. Gilman	500
	March 15	W. H. Ripley	500
	March 17	Martin Mead	200
	March 18	Michael Byrne	200
	March 25	Casper Mayer	300
	March 25	E Cline	250
Dodge	Feb'y 15	Thos. Hoefer	500
	Feb'y 29	Daniel Cary	150
	Feb'y 29	Patrick Fleming	150
	Feb'y 29	Wm. Grange	200
	March 13	N. D. Patch	400
	March 14	Fred McLaughlin	300
	March 19	J. H. Wells	300
	March 28	Mary Tobin	200
	Dec'r 18	E. E. Elwell	200
	Dec'r 20	John P. Stecheback	500
	Dec'r 20	Godfred Kiere	500
	Dec'r 12	Fred H. Kribbs	500
Fond du Lac		August Ebert	500
		R. Ebert	500
	March 7	W. S. Weil	500
	March 15	J. B. Topliff	500
	May 2	Geo. Markart	300
	June 21	M. H. Flint	150
	Dec'r 11	Hiram Allen	500
	Dec'r 11	D. W. Parker	500
Grant	March 3	Josiah Drake	200
	March 14	H Robins	500
	March 14	Jno. J. Wallace	250
	May 2	Thos. Anderson	250
	May 21	Henry Austin	300
	June 2	J. T. Mills	300
Jefferson	Jan'y 8	Sarah Gilman	500

"C."—continued.

Mortgages 1856, *not examined.*

Jefferson, con.	Jan'y 11	George Foster	$500
		Winslow Blake	500
La Crosse	March 11	Evans Bacheldor	500
La Fayette	March 19	Thomas Ray	300
	May 9	J. C. Brown	350
Marquette	June 17	A. Chamberlain	250
Milwaukee	Dec'r 4	John Rosbeck	500
Ozaukee	Dec'r 27	Theodore Harting	400
	Dec'r 27	F. Kritzner	500
Iowa	July 1	David Winter	300
Racine	Oct'r 2	M. L. Ayers	500
Richland	Sept'r 9	Rob't Aikin	500
	Dec'r 23	Ellim McCarthy	300
Rock	Dec'r 31	James Neal	500
St. Croix	March 8	Almond D. Gray	200
	May 27	Lewis Brown	250
Waukesha	Jan'y 11	Cha's Howard	300
Waushara	April 30	J. S. Bugh	400
Winnebago	May 28	Chauncy Kellogg	500
	Dec'r 17	Ch's A. Weisbrode	500

"C."—continued.

Mortgages in University Fund 1856, *not examined.*

Calumet	June 4	Geo. Baldwin	200
Chippewa	Dec'r 9	C. M. Seeley	450
Columbia	July 2	Joseph Delaney	500
Dane	March 14	Wm. Mitchell	250
	Dec'r 18	Chauncy Carpenter	500
Fond du Lac	June 4	Henry Totten	400
La Crosse	Oct'r 21	E. B. Pike	300
Outagamie	Sep't 6	Anson Ballard	500

"D."

Forfeited Land Sales, not on Journal.

	Prin.	Int.
Bad Ax	98 06	2 33
Brown	73 90	1 80
Calumet	12 73	27
Dane	38 70	76
Dunn	68 80	1 76
Fond du Lac	20 38	50
Jackson	37	------
Outagamie	12 68	26
Pierce	45 09	88
Richland	------	20
Rock	4 11	07
St. Croix	79 25	1 60
Waukesha	40 20	98
Waushara	5 76	10
Winnebago	6 69	15

"E."

JAMES G. PERCIVAL, *in account with State of Wisconsin.*

Sept. 30, 1854	By app. Geological Survey	--------	1,250 00
June 30, 1855	------do------do.	--------	1,250 00
Sept 30	------do------do.	--------	1,250 00
June 30, 1856	------do------do.	--------	1,250 00
Sept. 30	By State Treasurer, Gov. Barstow dep	--------	1,760 00
Aug. 16, 1854	For receipt, W. A. Barstow, in part	200 00	--------
Sept. 9	----do--------do----for A C Barry	100 00	--------
Sept. 25	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part	110 00	--------
Nov. 13	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part	50 00	--------
Jan. 3, 1855	----do----Jas. G. Perival, in part	100 00	--------
Jan. 30	----do--------do--in full for salary	590 00	--------
March 6	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part, 1st qr. for 1855	625 00	--------
April 9	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part	200 00	--------
Aug. 1	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part, present year	200 00	--------
Aug. 25	----do----W A Barstow, in part, '55	200 00	--------
Dec. 3	----do----Jas. G. Percival, in part	100 00	--------
Dec. 26	----do----W. A. Barstow, in part, per A. C. Barry	100 00	--------
Jan. 15, 1856	----do----W A Barstow, 1 qr. salary	625 00	--------
Feb. 11	----do----W. A. Barstow, in full for 1855	1,175 00	--------
Dec. 31	----do----Balance	2,385 00	--------
		6,760 00	6,760 00
Jan. 1, 1857	By balance due J. G. Percival	--------	2,385 00

"F."

JAMES G. PERCIVAL, *in account with State of Wisconsin.*

Sept. 30, 1854	By Geological Survey	--------	1,250 00
June 30, 1855	------do------do	--------	1,250 00
Sept. 30, 1855	------do------do	--------	1,250 00
June 30, 1856	------do------do	--------	1,250 00
Sept. 30	By State Treasurer, Gov. Barstow dep	--------	1,760 00
Sept. 30, 1854	To State Treasurer	410 00	--------
Dec. 30	----do------do	50 00	--------
Mar. 31, 1855	----do------do	1,615 00	--------
Sept. 30	----do------do	400 00	--------
Dec. 31	----do------do	100 00	--------
Mar. 31, 1856	----do------do	1,800 00	--------
Dec. 31, 1856	To balance	2,385 00	--------
		6,760 00	6,760 00
Jan'y 1, 1857	By balance brought down	--------	2,385 00

"G."

MADISON, May 5, 1856.

E. M. HUNTER, ESQ.,

DEAR SIR—In case the representative of Doct. Percival should call and show authority to receive the balance due, the matter stands as follows:

Whole Fund for 1855	$2,500 00
First quarter for 1856	625 00
	$3,125 00
Vouchers for amounts paid him, including am't allowed Mr. Barry	1,365 00
Balance Fund in my hands	$1,760 00
Deduct three quarters for 1855, and one quarter for 1856, ending March 31, '56, for assistant not acting, being 1 year	600 00
Balance considered due James G. Percival	$1,160 00

This amount you may pay upon sufficient authority.

W. A. BARSTOW.

"H."

State of Wisconsin,

To Wm. A. Barstow, Dr.

For Expenses going to Washington City four times during official term, on business for the State, twice in 1854 and twice in 1855, to attend to Swamp and other grants of lands to the State	$1,000 00
For amount expended in the employment of Counsel, and part expenses of Att'y General G. B. Smith, in going to Washington in spring of 1855	320 00
	$1,320 00

Rec'd Payment by charging to account of Swamp Land Appropriations.

Signed, W. A. BARSTOW.

March, 1856.